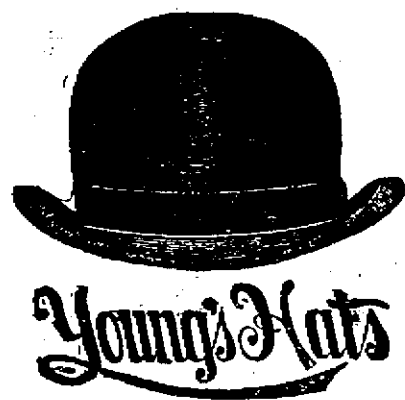




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Silks, plain and initial, 25c, 50c. Plain pure linen, 25c, 50c. Plain and fancy, 5c, 10c, 15c.

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Christmas Suspenders in Silk and Satines, plain and embroidered 50c to \$1.50.

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Men's Cashmere Pants, good values, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00.

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Boys' Knee Pants, 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00.

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WASHINGTON.

Congress Will Not Take Up Financial Legislation for Present.

Senate Considers Special Pension Bills Today's Session.

Mysterious Dayton Murder or Suicide—Mrs. McKinley Still Living—Wheat Reached \$1.09 in Chicago—Justice and Martin, Boys of Huntington, Held for Murder of Lazarus Vinson—Other News.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—The leaders in the house of representatives are said to have reached an agreement to dispose of the appropriation bill, then the bankruptcy bill. No attempt will be made for the present to take up financial legislation, because of the banking and currency committee not likely to reconcile the conflicting views of members of the committee. The Ways and Means committee may ultimately agree on a financial bill of banking and currency.

The House considered the pension appropriation bill today. The senate considered private pension bills. Senator Gallinger sounded a warning against inconsiderate pension legislation.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—Chairman [Hitt], of the committee on foreign affairs, announced the following sub-committees today:

Cuba—Adams, of Pennsylvania; Heatwole, of Minnesota; and Berry, of Kentucky.

Hawaii—Hitt, of Illinois; Smith of Michigan; and Dinsmore, of Arkansas.

The committee determined to report at once on the bill prohibiting American citizens from conducting Pelagic sealing in the Behring sea.

In the senate, Senator Hoar, of Maine, presented a petition from 269 natives of Hawaii, protesting against annexation to the United States. The senate adjourned until Monday next.

VERY MYSTERIOUS

Were the Circumstances Surrounding the Death of a Dayton Young Man.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Dayton, O., Dec. 9.—The dead body of Chas. Middlestetter, aged 19, was found by the roadside at midnight. He had left Dayton at four o'clock to visit his sister, Bell Brook. A bullet hole was found in his head. A revolver was lying near, also a bicycle. It is supposed he was murdered. He was an exemplary young man. No cause is known for suicide.

Grows Weaker.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Canton, Dec. 9.—The President spent most of the night beside his mother's bed. She had a sinking spell near midnight and was much weaker this morning.

HELD FOR MURDER.

Justice and Martin Held to Answer to the Grand Jury for the Murder of Lazarus Vinson at Huntington.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Huntington, W. Va., Dec. 9.—Judge Haley, of Catlettsburg, today held David Justice and Chas. Martin to the grand jury for the murder of Lazarus Vinson.

Wheat Reaches \$1.09.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 9.—Wheat sold at \$1.09 today, but later fell to \$1.08.

Quarrel of the Daughter.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Richmond, Ind., Dec. 9.—In a quarrel at a dance last night between Edward Devers and Benjamin Reddinghaus, rival lovers of the hostess' daughter, Reddinghaus had his throat cut with a razor. There is very little hope of his life.

Markets.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 9.—Wheat, \$1.07; corn, 25½; oats, 22.

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Ladies' embroidered fancy handkerchiefs, imported goods at 15c, worth 20 and 22c.

Ladies' embroidered fancy handkerchiefs, imported goods at 18c, worth 22 and 25c.

Ladies' embroidered fancy handkerchiefs, imported goods at 20c, worth 25 and 28c.

Ladies' simple handkerchiefs at all prices. They are beautiful. All we ask is to come in and look at them.

Children's fancy handkerchiefs at 1, 2, 3 and 5c. Beautiful.

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Baby's solid gold at 35c and 50c, others ask \$1.00.

Misses' solid gold with different sets at \$1.50, others ask \$2.50.

Misses' gold plate, with brilliant sets at 50c, others ask \$1.00.

Ladies' or Gents' band rings, warranted extra good value at 50c, worth \$1.00.

Ladies' or Gents' extra wide band rings at \$1.00. They look as nice as an \$8.00 ring.

New line of Gents' cuff buttons from 25c to 50c. You must see them.

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The Times Publishing company will give TEN DOLLARS in gold to the person composing the most appropriate poem for a carrier's New Year's address. Poems will be received at the Times office until noon December 20th. Each manuscript must be sealed in an envelope containing another sealed envelope with the name of the writer. The manuscript, as received, will be placed in the hands of a committee of three competent judges. The poem selected as the best by this committee will receive the prize. The envelope containing the name will not be opened until the prize poem is selected. Employees of The Times Publishing company will not be permitted to compete. Send in your poems.

Our Republican friends are quarreling over flag-poles, fees and spoils. In the melee all kinds of charges are floating around. Much truth is coming to the surface. The people may yet come to realize that they are being robbed. The spectacle is nauseating and should cause every respectable Republican to hang his head in shame.

The council has made a start in the N. & W. matter. (Will it do more than resolve? Under the terms of the contract, the present building and plant belongs to the city. Action should be taken to preserve it just as it is. Will the council do it? We don't believe it will. Time will tell.

The loss in the Democratic vote in Ohio this year was 78,199, against a loss of 51,768 in the year following the presidential election of 1892. Further, more the same increased losses were sustained in Iowa, Kentucky, Virginia, Massachusetts, Kansas and Nebraska. Free silver was the cause of this descent.—Blade.

Where the vote of the Democracy fell off ten, the Republican vote fell off nearly fifteen. What was the cause of this, Mr. Hard?

This will probably be the last week of our work on the Tribune as its editor, as Mr. Finney, the present proprietor of the paper, has informed us that he has practically closed a deal with parties who will take possession Friday or Saturday of this week. Some of the animals whose dreams we have disturbed for a little time will sleep easier.—Tribune.

It would seem that Valjean is to be shut off. But the general opinion is that the present owners desire to close a deal by which they can realize to the extent of their investment.

It seems that the Republican press has suddenly discovered that there is and has since 1873 been a kind of endless chain arrangement by which the treasury could and still can be drained of gold at the will of millionaire manipulators, and is anxious to have it broken. All along, until now this fact has been denied through the press and from the stump. There is a sharp set of claws beneath the fur of these same converts to the fact and the claws will show themselves in the manner in which they propose to break this chain.

The assessor is one of the most important officers within the gift of the people in a county. Yet how little attention is paid to the selection. It is an office that generally goes to men totally unqualified for the work. There are exceptions, but they are rare. An assessor should be the best posted man in the ward or township in values and in the business affairs of his constituency. Not one-half the assessors chosen can make out their own reports. As a rule they are chosen from among political leaders to pay political debts. The people, if they can be induced to go to the primaries and take an active part in them, can soon put a stop to this. Supposing you try it the coming spring. Select one of the very best informed citizens in each voting precinct and elect him. The result will be surprising to everybody, in that everybody will have a fair deal. From one-third to one-half of the taxable property of this town and county escapes through the ignorance and incapacity of the assessor to do his work as it should be done. What is the result? The honest man who gives in his property without reservation suffers, while the rogue escapes. We know of a scoundrel who passes among his neighbors for a good, honest old farmer, too, who has money loaned out all over the country on which he has paid no taxes for years.

The town is full of the same kind of cheats. This is what makes taxes high to those who pay taxes.—Tribune.
It is seldom we find anything in the Tribune that hits the nail on the head any fairer than the above. The Times has called attention many times to the fact that only a part of our citizens were paying their just share of the taxes. We desire to add something to the Tribune's article. No credits or money should be taxed. By taxing money the poor man is forced to pay a reasonable interest and the tax added. The honest loaner returns it for taxation, while the dishonest loaner keeps this extra interest to pay him for the risk he takes in tax-dodging. Millions have been driven from the state and the poor man made to pay from two to three per cent. more for the use of money. What has the Tribune to say on this question? The newspapers of Portsmouth can do much to remedy some of the existing evils if they will join hands.

The Ohio State Journal feels in duty bound to approve the President's message and speaks very glowingly of it in general, but it is not as careful in its editorial paragraphs to cover the true inwardness of its feelings. Here is one paragraph, "The Democratic press does not approve the message. The president would be playing in hard luck if it did."

Then there is another that in as much as the President favors the annexation of Hawaii, must exclude the editor of the Journal from the "Many intelligent people," or prove that he does not approve the message in toto.
When the question of ratifying the treaty of annexation with Hawaii comes up for discussion in the senate, it is hoped that the doors will be open, so that the people may hear the arguments, pro and con. The people want to know the reasons why the treaty should be ratified—if they exist. At present a good many intelligent people doubt the advisability of annexation.

Into the Hands of a Receiver.
Zanesville, O., Dec. 9.—The Zanesville Street Railway and Electric company went into the hands of William Christie, receiver. The bonded indebtedness is \$200,000 and the floating debt \$75,000.

Embezzlement Charged.
Bellefontaine, O., Dec. 9.—C. C. Matix of Forest, who conducted a piano store here, is charged by the Western Cottage Piano and Organ company of Ottawa, Ill., with embezzling \$1,500.

Died in the Woods.
Bainbridge, O., Dec. 9.—Mrs. Anna Hammond, 75, started to walk to the home of her daughter in the country. She did not arrive there, and her dead body was found in the woods.

Elliott Indictment Notted.
Columbus, O., Dec. 9.—The indictment charging W. J. Elliott with the murder of Mr. W. H. Hughes has been notted. An effort will now be made to secure his freedom by pardon.

Died in Colorado.
Cleveland, Dec. 9.—John G. James, assistant general freight agent of the Lake Shore railway, died at Pueblo, Col. Mr. James had been with the company 20 years.

Ended His Career.
Bellbrook, O., Dec. 9.—Charles Minstrater, 17, was found dead with a bullet hole through his brain. The revolver lay by his side.

Missing Editor Found.
Manchester, O., Dec. 9.—Editor Tod C. Shriver of The Times of this city, who disappeared recently, has been located in Brooklyn.

Hotel Men Meet.
Dayton, O., Dec. 9.—The fourth annual meeting of the Ohio State Hotel association is being held in this city.

Serious Charge Preferred.
Chillicothe, O., Dec. 9.—Anderson Gibson has been arrested charged with outraging Goldie Sharrock, 13.

Probate Judge Married.
Upper Sandusky, O., Dec. 9.—Hon. L. M. Bowers, probate judge, was married to Miss Emma Peifer.

Charge Not Sustained.
Bellefontaine, O., Dec. 9.—The jury acquitted Cory L. Lane on the first charge of embezzlement.

Acephalous Skeletons Found.
Winchester, O., Dec. 9.—Two headless skeletons were found in the woods near here.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally acting directly upon the blood and mucous surface of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
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A Pin Hole

In Your Memory

To remind you that we are making our customers NINE Handsome Presents this year. Read all about it:

The First Wheel.

Will be given to the one who guesses nearest to the number of words which will appear in the first news column on the first page of the Cincinnati Enquirer of Dec. 31, 1897. Guesses must be in by 6 p. m. sun time, Dec. 31, 1897. Every one making a purchase is entitled to a guess.

THE SEWING MACHINE.

Will be given to the one who makes the second nearest guess to the number of words which will appear in the first news column on the first page of the Cincinnati Enquirer of Dec. 31, 1897. (For Dry Goods Store Only.)

The Second Wheel.

Will be given not to the one who is the best guesser but the best worker. We give to any customer who desires them cards containing figures to the amount of \$100.00. The condition of gift are simply these: We will give to the person presenting one of these cards, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 6 p. m. Dec. 31, 1897, having the greatest amount punched out, one of these beautiful Bicycles. Every purchase you make get the amount punched out on your card; get all your friends and neighbors to bring your card with them and get credit for their purchases for you, thus swelling the total amount. Remember, any one can bring your card and get credit for their purchases for you. A little stirring around will put one of these fine wheels within your reach. Is it not worth the trial? (For Dry Goods Store Only.)

The Third Wheel.

In our show window in the Shoe Store we have two pages of a newspaper. The one guessing the nearest to the number of words on these two pages will receive the wheel. Every purchase entitles you to a guess. Guesses must be in by 6 p. m., Dec. 31, 1897.

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There was a "fall house" at the meeting of the city council last night, when the N. & W. car shop matter came up for consideration. The lobby was packed, many of the leading business men of the city being on hands. Supt. Robinson and D. H. Barger, of the N. & W., were also present.

The roll call showed Mr. Huber and Mr. Calvin absent. The former was in immediate demand, his brother members wanting him to start the car shop ball rolling. It was learned that he was haranguing a crowd down stairs, and Street Commissioner Craigmiles was sent after him. The absent member was soon on hands, but he was affected with a sudden shyness and said he had nothing to add to his report at the previous meeting.

Mr. Neill moved that representatives of the N. & W. be heard, and Mr. Robinson, superintendent of the Scioto Valley division, was given the floor. Mr. Robinson was as sweet and suave as any man could be and displayed none of that bluff and bluster that occasionally frightens some inoffensive subordinate out of his boots. He said in substance that the N. & W. had not contemplated violating or forfeiting the shop lease. Mr. Barr, the vice-president of the system, thought it would be more economical to repair locomotives at Kenova. It was proposed to do all car repairing for Ohio and West Virginia equipment at Portsmouth, and this would more than make up for the loss in transferring the locomotive repairing to Kenova. Up to the present time locomotives were still being repaired at the Portsmouth shops. Three engines are in the shops now. One point was whether the continuance of the shops by the N. & W. would be as advantageous to Portsmouth in the future as under any other arrangement?

The company's intention to repair West Virginia cars here would make up what was lost by transferring some parts to Kenova. Mr. Robinson thought council should deal with the question fairly. The company is now employing more men than the original Scioto Valley shops, and the number would be increased from time to time. Mr. Robinson expressed a willingness to answer questions, and he was cross-examined at some length by Mr. Huber, who had recovered from his temporary bashfulness. Mr. Huber tried to get Mr. Robinson to admit that the railroad had violated its lease, but that wary official would admit nothing of the kind. Mr. Huber contended that all the skilled labor had been removed and that only fellows remained who could nail on a board, and that the N. & W. had clearly broken its lease.

Mr. Robinson objected to being looked upon as an outsider. The railroad was interested in Portsmouth and paid taxes here. They paid \$6,500 tax last year and were entitled to the same consideration as any other business or industry. The pay roll of the company for the past fifteen years in this county had been large, and the road had contributed towards building up of city and county. He thought it would be sensible for council to decide whether they wanted a technical compliance with the lease or one that would give the city the same benefit and at the same time further the convenience of the railroad company.

Mr. Neill favored forfeiting the lease if it had been violated. Mr. Dillon thought the lease had been violated and that the city should take the property and then rent it out to the best advantage.

Mr. Huber called attention to the fact that the coach department, paint department, foundry department and now the engine repairing department had been removed from the shops.

At the suggestion of Mr. Huber, the city solicitor then read a resolution which had been prepared. After setting forth how on May 4th, 1878, the shops had been leased to the Scioto Valley and Ohio River Railway companies, and later these were acquired by the N. & W. Railway company, the resolution declared that as it had come to their knowledge that the N. & W. had violated the conditions of the lease,

Therefore, Be it Resolved by the city council of the city of Portsmouth as follows:

That it hereby declares its intention to declare that the said Norfolk & Western Railway company has forfeited its rights and privileges under said lease.

That the city solicitor is hereby instructed to prepare an ordinance to declare that the Norfolk & Western Railway company has forfeited its rights and privileges under said lease and to provide for bringing suit in the proper court for securing damages against the said Norfolk & Western Railway company because of its failure to perform the conditions of said lease as required by the terms thereof.

Mr. Oshorn and Mr. Seeborn asked that various citizens present be heard from.

Mr. A. T. Holcomb spoke for the railroad company. He thought it would be bad policy to force the N. & W. to move their shops from Portsmouth.

month. If the shops were vacated it would not be easy to get a new concern here. They did not grow on bushes.

"Treat the railroad square and they will treat you square," said Mr. Holcomb.

John T. Miller, who helped draw up the lease, spoke in favor of compelling the railroad to live up to its obligations. He said the lease was made iron-clad with a view to just such emergencies as the present.

Mr. Huber called attention to the fact that on May 1st, 1898, \$20,000 city bonds were issued on account of these N. & W. shops, and no one knew where the money was to come from to meet the obligation. No sympathy racket went here. The city had to do its part and the railway must do the same. If council yielded, citizens would call them chumps. For his part the railroad must stand by the contract or get out. This caused loud applause.

Mr. Oshorn made a vigorous speech, declaring his intention to vote for the resolution because his constituents wanted him to. He was voting against his better judgment. When we kick a man on the shins we should always be sure we can follow up the kick vigorously. The history was that when cities of 10,000 or 15,000 people bucked against a great trunk line railroad they always got the short end of it. The road could discriminate against Portsmouth in a way that would reach the pockets of every merchant and laboring man in the city. If it came to a contest between the city and the N. & W., the city would not have everything its own way. The judgment is against this measure. Every newspaper is for it, and the great majority of our citizens do not counsel moderation. I believe we will see this action in six or eight months. If the N. & W. say they will fulfill the lease, they will give us the pound of flesh we exact, but not one drop of blood. And so Mr. Oshorn goes on record as voting for the motion with a mental reservation that it is a mistake.

Mr. Dillon said that if the N. & W. was a grand trunk line we would have a station we would not be ashamed of, and would have other facilities. As it is, we get nothing that we do not pay for dearly. Car shop men were lying about idle and that did not look like the N. & W. was running the shop full force.

Representative-Elect McCormick remarked that the city should take possession of the property and then make new conditions with the railroad. He alluded to the fact that there was an old canal on the West Side of the river which was practically worthless now, and which would be a tempting bait to a rival line to Columbus. Mr. McCormick then ventured a remark, which probably expressed the feeling of everybody present, but which nobody dared to put in words. He said "council was a little weak-kneed and was calling for expressions from citizens to try and work up a little backbone to declare the lease forfeited."

This was an unlucky remark and caused McCormick to be roasted on all sides, in a vigorous manner. Mr. Huber declared he was never afraid of anybody. It was not necessary for council to have others to help them. The gentleman's valuable advice was not needed or wanted to work up backbone, or for any other purpose. Citizens were called on as a matter of courtesy to give additional light—if they had any—and he doubted if some of them had.

The motion ordering an ordinance prepared declaring the lease forfeited then passed unanimously.

The solicitor was granted \$100 to secure legal assistance in preparing the ordinance, and council then adjourned.

A Transient Visitor.

Mrs. Eliza Kehoe, of Portsmouth, who formerly resided in this city, was a transient visitor at the residence of Dr. Lansing yesterday, en route to Marietta; to attend the Brown-Ellis wedding, which takes place there this evening.

The bridegroom, Mr. Donald Charles Brown, is a cousin of Mrs. Kehoe, and the bride, Miss Alice W. Ellis, is a daughter of Mr. Herbert Ellis. Their marriage occurs at 7 o'clock this evening and will be followed by a reception from 8:30 to 10 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown will then take their departure for San Luis Potosi, Mexico, where they will make their future home, and where Mr. Brown is engaged in business at the extensive smelting works there situated.

Mrs. Kehoe expects to return to Chillicothe on Friday and will be Miss Lansing's guest over next Sunday before returning to Portsmouth.—Chillicothe News.

Perfumery.

A full line of Out Glass Bottles and Fancy Colored Bottles of all descriptions, filled with fine extracts, all prices.

WIN NYE.

Pure, Fresh Clean Drugs. 7-d4w2t

Two Meat Shops.

As was announced in last night's Times, Mr. S. W. Miles has opened up a new meat market in the Odd Fellows' building, Court and Fifth streets, but it must not be inferred by this that he may not still be found at the old stand on Robinson avenue as well. His down-town trade became so large that he concluded to open up a shop to accommodate his many friends who could not be so well served from his wagons.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure 25 cents.

For earache, put a couple of drops of Thomas' Electric Oil on a bit of cotton and place it in the ear. The pain will stop in a few moments. Simple enough, isn't it?

Sanford, Varner & Co.'s Holiday Inducements.

As a special inducement to cash buyers, we will give with each cash purchase amounting to \$10.00 or more

A Handsome Watch Free!

The greatest inducements, however, are our prices. It is a well known fact that we manufacture our own clothing and sell direct to the consumer at manufacturer's prices, thus saving him the middle man's profit of at least 20 per cent.

Men's All Wool Suits.

Plain and Fancy Cheviots, Worsteds, Cassimeres, etc., \$5.00, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, \$18.00.

Every garment is made under our personal supervision by the best of tailors. Well made, well trimmed and guaranteed to give satisfaction.

Overcoats and Ulsters.

Our line of Overcoats and Ulsters this season is our special pride. You will find all the late and desirable materials, such as Kerseys, Meltons, Chinchillas, Friezes, Coverts, Beavers, etc., \$3.50, \$4, \$5, \$6, \$10, \$12, \$15, \$18. We make them ourselves, which is a guarantee that they are right in every respect.

Mackintoshes.

Double texture, waterproof Mackintoshes for Men and Boys.

Men's—\$2.25, \$4, \$5, \$7.50 and \$10,
Boys'—\$2.25 to \$3.50.

Umbrellas for 69c, steel rod, tight roller.

Better grades in Gloria Silk, etc., \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$3.50 to \$5.00.

Silk Mufflers 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

Handkerchiefs.

Silk initial 25c and 50c.
Plain Silk 25, 50, 75c, \$1.00.
Japanettes 15c and 20.
Linen hemstitched 15, 20, 25, 40 and 50c.

**Underwear.**

Complete stock of Men's heavy Underwear in fleece lined and all wool at 25c, 40c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00.

Special.

All Wool Scarlet, per suit 75c.
N. B.—We are sole agents for Janos Hygiene Underwear, regular and combination suits.

Gloves.

Dress Gloves, all styles in unlined and silk and fleece lined Kid or Mocha, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50.
Full stock of working Gloves at 25c, 40c, 50c, 75c, 1, 1.50.

SANFORD, VARNER & CO.,

The Leaders.

Third and Chillicothe Streets.

LOOK!

Davis' Advertisement is Brimful of Bargains. Come and see us.

It will pay you well for your visit.

\$2.00 and \$3.00 for choice of finest selection of Boys' Knee Pants Suits in fine all wool fancy Scotch, Cassimeres, etc.

Newest colorings in Reefer and Double Breasted styles, handsomely braided and trimmed you have paid \$4.00 for inferior ones, special values at \$2 and \$3.

Young Men's Long Pants Suits in single and double breasted, newest styles in fine all wool materials, splendidly made and trimmed, ages 14 to 19 years, strictly up-to-date. Suits of \$7.00 quality, our price only \$5.00.

Guess How Many Nails.**\$200 in Gold**

To be given to our customers New Year's morning. Prizes to be given to the first fifteen persons guessing the nearest to the number of nails in jar in our window. A guess with each purchase. Nails to be counted New Year's morning by prominent men. Nobody connected with our store permitted to make a guess.

An Attractive Bargain in Men's Shirts.

A big lot of the very latest patterns in Men's Laundered Fancy Bosom Shirts, regular 75c quality, our price 50c.

A Timely Bargain in Winter Underwear.

Extra value in Men's heavy fleece lined Underwear, assorted colors, our price 45c.

Wright's Health Underwear, Shirts and Drawers fleece lined, our price 85c.

Men's all wool Shirts and Drawers, actual value \$1.25, our price 75c.

A full and complete line of underwear from 19c to \$2.50.

BEN DAVIS,

The One Price CLOTHIER and FURNISHER.

127 West Second Street.

They All**EAT**

ADAM PFAU'S,

BAKED BEANS

175 West Second street.

You Can See Yourself In It--

The Shirt we Launder. Of course you will have to stand before the glass to do so, but the work is none the less perfect for that.

Work Called For and Delivered.

Portsmouth Steam Laundry,

West Seventh Street.

PERSONAL.

J. G. Peebles, Jr., went to Ashland today.

George Ralston, of Otway, was in the city today.

Mrs. A. O. Thompson went to Cincinnati this morning.

John O. Gaynor, a prominent Chillicothe politician, was in the city today.

Chas. M. Houghton, of Washington, special bank examiner, was in the city today.

Mrs. Carey Johnson is in Pittsburg visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James O. Crouch.

Chris Heer left last night on the O. & O. for New York City, where he will be for several days on business.

A. Willis, the well known photographer, who has been in Burlington, North Carolina, is expected home in a week or two.

Mrs. John Kallhofer, of Chillicothe, is in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Chas. Fiegstadler, of 809 Washington street.

Mr. Robert Crabtree was in the city from near California today. He has just returned from spending a year in Northern Illinois.

Mrs. Bingham and daughter, Miss Roth, left for their home at Georgetown, Ohio, today after a pleasant visit with friends in the city.

Mrs. Emma Curtin has returned to her home in Delaware after a pleasant visit with her sister, Mrs. John Mannix, corner Eleventh and Lincoln streets.

A COMING CHANGE

Removed That Superintendent J. Robinson May Leave the N. & W., to Be Connected With Another Road.

It is rumored on the quiet in railroad circles that at no very distant date Supt. J. Robinson will sever his connection with the Norfolk & Western and be connected with another big road. Mr. Robinson is one of the best railroad men in the country, understanding the business thoroughly. He is not satisfied with his location at Kenova and is said to be anxious to be with a road that will have headquarters in Columbus. Mr. Robinson is complimented on all sides for the manner in which he handled the car shop dispute last night.

MR. HOMER HONORED.

Placed on Both Tickets by the A. O. U. W. for Master Workman.

At the last meeting of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, Master Workman John O. Homer was honored by his fellow members. Mr. Homer has served as Master Workman of the lodge the past year, and he has given such splendid satisfaction that he was placed on both tickets when officers were nominated for the ensuing year. Mr. Homer is one of the hardest working members of the order. The election will take place a week from Monday.

ONLY FAIR

Was the Company That Appeared at the Opera House Last Evening.

The company which presented "For Fair Virginia" at the opera house last night did not provoke any enthusiastic outburst of admiration. The performance was very fair, but there was nothing great either about the play or the actors. Mr. and Mrs. Whytal both made good impressions and the child, Mabel Taliferro, made the hit of the evening. As a whole, the play was not as satisfactory as "Alabama." The company went to Ironton this morning and will appear there tonight.

Revolving office chairs, just the thing for Christmas presents, at Fuller Bros., very cheap. 9-3t

Jackson Hotel Keeper's Death.

Levi B. Gibson, the venerable landlord of the Gibson House, Jackson, O., died suddenly Monday of heart disease. He went out to a woodshed to get some kindling and dropped dead. He was seventy years of age and had been in the hotel business at Jackson for many years. He was well known to many Portsmouth people.

A fine line of ladies' muslin underwear at Flora Deller's.

Smith's Tiger Head Ale on Tap.

On and after Friday next I will have on draught the famous brand of Smith's Tiger Head India Pale Ale. This is the finest ale in the world, and you can find it nowhere else in the city on tap.

GEORGE FRESHELL, Palace Restaurant.

A Hunting Trip.

Messrs. E. H. Shaw and Sam P. Adams returned last night from a day's hunt about Camp McColloch. They got twenty-seven birds.

Go to BLANKEMEYER, THE TAILOR, for your clothes.

Rev. Mr. Herron Sick.

Rev. Mr. Herron, of All Saints church, is quite sick, being confined to his room. He was unable to conduct the services yesterday evening.

There are no better shoes sold than those sold by the Kendall Shoe company. It will pay you to drop in and see them and get their prices.

Trio of Mighty Hunters.

Mayor Glidden and Policemen Williams and Atkins went out hunting on the West Side this morning. The latest bulletin from the scene of war was that there was no game in sight.

Ladies' desk very cheap, at Fuller Bros.

READY FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

X-mas 1897

Is almost at hand and we, as the appointed agent of Santa Claus, are prepared for the great rush that is bound to come. We have engaged extra salespeople and we are now ready to show the greatest line of Holiday merchandise ever shown in Southern Ohio. Read over the articles carefully. We have hundreds of useful presents that we are here unable to enumerate, but we most cordially invite you one and all to come to our BIG STORE and carefully inspect the greatest line of Holiday goods ever shown.



HOWARD ALPINE

Men's

Stiff and Soft Hats

In all styles, shapes and colors, from \$1.00 to \$3.00. A full line of Caps for Men and Boys, all kinds and shapes 25c to \$1.50.



A New Department

That will interest the fair sex, will be the opening of our Ladies' Handkerchief department on Saturday Dec. 11, with

\$200.00 IN GOLD

Will be distributed on New Year's day to the fifteen persons guessing the nearest to the correct number of marbles contained in the glass jar now displayed in our show window. Every cash purchase entitles you to a guess. Marbles will be counted Jan. 1st, at 10 a. m., by prominent citizens.

First	\$75 00	Ninth	\$5 00
Second	40 00	Tenth	5 00
Third	20 00	Eleventh	5 00
Fourth	10 00	Twelfth	5 00
Fifth	5 00	Thirteenth	5 00
Sixth	5 00	Fourteenth	5 00
Seventh	5 00	Fifteenth	5 00
Eighth	5 00		

Our hopes and anticipations are reflected in the immense preparations we have made



SILK UMBRELLAS

BIG STORE

So full of attractions as it is now.

Bath Robes and Smoking Jackets

Is the largest and most complete in the city, the prices within the reach of all.

\$5 00, \$7.50, \$10.00.



If you want to make an appropriate gift to father, brother or sweetheart, call at our Big Store and see our holiday stocks.

Special attention has been given to our Children's Department and the careful parent will find here an enormous line of Reefeer Coats, Overcoats, Suits, Waists, Leggings, Caps, Neckwear, Stockings, etc., suitable for Christmas Gifts.

A Grand Advance Sale of 3,000 Ladies Handkerchiefs.

And in order to demonstrate that our store is the proper place for you and your friends to buy handkerchiefs, we propose to sell 1,000 OF 'EM IN THREE DAYS. Saturday, Monday and Tuesday will be the days and the low prices will be the magnet that will draw the trade to our store.

50 dozen Children's Handkerchiefs 1c each. Only 5 to each customer.

5c for Embroidered Swiss Mull.

12 1/2c, Swiss Embroidered Mull, Lace inserting, etc., etc.

20c.—Hundreds of beautiful embroidered designs.

2 1/2c for a good quality of Ladies' Fancy Handkerchiefs.

25c and 35c for regular 50c to 75c goods which we closed out as short lots. Buy your handkerchiefs of us. You can give two where you thought of giving one by buying at this sale.

6c for fine Lace Embroidered Mull.

8 1/2c for extra fine Embroidered Mull.

10c for pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs.

Holiday Suggestions.

FROM.	TO.
Umbrellas	\$6 00
Canes	5 00
Underwear	2 25
Gloves	2 00
Handkerchiefs	1 00
Suspenders	2 50
Neckwear	1 00
Mufflers	2 00
Dress Shirts	1 75
Hosiery	50c
Garters	50c

And many other useful articles too numerous to mention.

J. EISMAN & CO.,

121-123 West Second Street.

A CRANE CRANK

It Slips and Ezra Shonkwiler Was Hit a Terrible Blow by It—Not Seriously Injured.

Ezra Shonkwiler, an employee of the Burgess Steel and Iron works, met with a serious accident about eleven o'clock this morning. Shonkwiler was working with a steam crane crew and was attending to the crank. It slipped from his hands and hit him a terrible blow in the chest and face. It was thought by his fellow workmen that he had been killed, and he was unconscious for nearly twenty minutes. The men worked with him and then called Undertaker Getz's ambulance. The undertaker drove him to his home at 212 East Twelfth street, where a physician was called and the injuries attended to. At last accounts Shonkwiler was resting easily. He had a narrow escape for his life.

See the display of water colors in all sizes and styles, for two weeks, at Mrs. B. Inez Spry's, 320 Chillicothe street. 7-3t

They Stole the Grating.

Some small boy removed a grating from a coal hole in the sidewalk in front of Brunner's dry goods store last night about six o'clock. Several gentlemen had narrow escapes from tumbling into the cellar. Mr. Brunner was then notified and he found a new grating. The police are looking for the youngsters who took the grating.

For a neat, durable and strictly up-to-date shoe, go to the Kendall Shoe company.

Miss Irene Huston Out Again.

The many friends of Miss Irene Huston will be glad to learn that she was able to be down town today for the first time for two and one-half months. She has been confined to her home for that period by a serious illness, resulting from a carbuncle on her neck. She is now improving rapidly.

Christmas umbrellas at from 50 cents to \$3.00, at Flora Deller's.

Elk Meeting Tonight.

The Elks will meet tonight. All members are requested to be present.

Fresh Graham flour at Corson's.

ONLY A LITTLE MOUSE

But It Raised the Vest Makers at Sanford, Varner & Co's.

There was "a hot time in the old town" yesterday when a wee small mouse sauntered into the department of the vest makers at Sanford, Varner & company's. There was no need to say to the girls, "Please rise!" They rose to a man—no, to a girl. In about one minute and four seconds they were perched on the window sills, curtain holders, chandeliers and elsewhere out of harm's way. Did they scream? Oh, no, there was only one scream, and that was a partnership affair, in which all joined, and it lasted till the mouse deliberately walked into a trap and committed suicide to prove that it was harmless. But the girls would not come down off the perch until Mr. Hughes took the defunct mouse by the caudal appendage and threw it out of the window. Even then some of them hesitated, till they saw Mr. Meixner in tears, either out of sympathy for the mouse or the girls. At sight of his sorrow and the tears that were rolling down his cheeks like boulders down a mountain, the last one came down and resumed her place, with the expression, "Pshaw, who's afraid of a mouse!"

Notice to Coal Dealers.

Bids will be received until Monday, at 12 m., December 27th, at the office of city water works to furnish nut and slack, or pea and slack, to city water works for one year from January 1st, 1898. Same to be delivered in the pumping house. 8-8t

THOS. S. HALL, Secy.

Lehman's shoes or slippers will make a nice holiday present.

Will Celebrate Their Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Row, of West Sixth have been married fifty years on December 29th. On that day they will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary, and friends and relatives from all over the country will be invited. The aged couple were married during the Mexican war, December 29th, 1847.

The Kendall Shoe company always keeps a complete line of shoes.

Jardiniers stands very cheap at Fuller Bros.

A Juicy Steak

Is a good thing to take, and depends on three things, First, the kind of cattle that are killed, Second, how it is cut and last but not least, how it is cooked. Let

Miles, the Butcher,

Attend to the first and second, and if you do your part as well as he does his, you will laugh and grow fat. He has two meat markets, one at

623 Robinson Avenue And one in Odd Fellows' Building, Court St.

WANT COLUMN.

WANTED—A situation as stenographer or bookkeeper, by a competent young lady with experience and reference. Address "M" 78 Gallia street.

FOUND—Some money. Loser can have same, by calling on Miss Kate Jeanguenat, 128 East Second street.

FOR RENT—A cottage on Bond street, between Fourth and Gallia, with water and gas. Inquire of Abe Mayer, Gallia street. 8-8t

WANTED—Girl for general house work. Good reference required Mrs. Wm. B. Anderson 174 East Second street. 8-3t

WANTED—Man to deliver and collect that can furnish small cash security. Address J. H. G., this office.

FOR SALE—Cottage residence on Second street below Chillicothe adjoining Geo. O. Newman one of the most desirable locations of the city. Inquire of Jas. W. Newman, Central Savings Bank. 1t

FOR RENT—Dwelling on East Ninth street, with six rooms and bath room, in excellent condition. See J. E. Jones, 412 Court street. 20t

FOR SALE—No. 1 red brick at \$4.50 and \$5.00 per thousand delivered. See C. Weghorst, corner Tenth and Chillicothe street. 1t

FOR RENT OR SALE—Excellent hotel of twenty-six rooms, good location. Inquire of Rottinghaus, Market street. 26-1t

Postponed Till

December 24, 1897,

Is the day

The Peninsular Steel Range

Will be given away. This postponement was made at the urgent request of many who saw this range at the Y. M. I. Fair and desire a little more time to come in on the guessing contest.

F. A. GLOCKNER

121-123 Gallia Street.

Telephone 169.

You

Will

Laugh

When you taste the pies made from

Home Made

Mince Meat.

Particularly if you get that superior article sold by

J. A. Wilhelm,

Eighth and Chillicothe.

X-mas Presents Free!

Next Saturday, Dec. 11, we will give every customer that spends a dollar or more with us a valuable as well as useful present free.

Remember

That from the above date, until Christmas day we give presents away. The usual low prices will prevail. We have dressed turkeys and chickens and most anything else you may want constantly on hand. Give us your trade and save 25 to 40c on the dollar.

J. J. Brushart,

The Leading Cash Grocer

Our Holiday Goods Are Arriving.

Wurster Bros., Court and Second.

In Rheumatism

are your limbs like a human barometer and so tender and sensitive that you can foretell every storm and change in the weather by the aching pains and aches in your muscles and joints? Aching all day long and preventing rest and sleep at night? If so, Secure prompt relief by applying a

Benson's Porous Plaster

to the aching parts. Incomparably the best and most effective external remedy ever compounded. BENSON'S is the only highly medicated plaster and cures where others fail to even relieve. But only the genuine effective. Insist upon a BENSON. Price 25 cents. Refuse substitutes. Scabury & Johnson, Mfg. Chemists, N. Y.

A Pretty Girl's Last Chance.

When it comes to the last chance of a pretty girl, she begins to look around. If she is looking for

Feathers, Birds, Aigrettes,

Buckles, Velvets or Ribbons,

We have them. One large bunch black Ostrich Plumes, \$1.00, former price \$1.50.

Three fine black Ostrich Feathers in a bunch, cut price \$1.00.

One large bunch of three Ostrich Plumes 50c.

Three smaller feathers in a bunch 25c.

Green Poll Parrots 50c.

Black Poll Parrots 50c.

Black and White Wings, 15c to 25c.

Aigrettes 5c to 10c.

Cut steel buckles 10c to 25c.

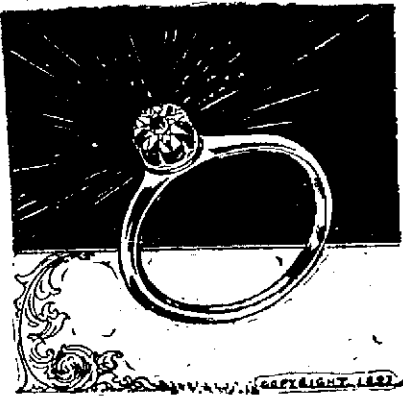
Silk Velvet, 50c a yard.

This sale is special for THREE DAYS ONLY.

Ladies' Bazaar,

E. and R. McCauley,

407 Chillicothe St.



"A Beauty."

This is the kind of jewelry we sell. The value of a jewel is much enhanced by the delicate settings that we make a feature.

A Visit

Here will show that fine jewelry is possible at a low cost to you. We can show you how little money it takes to buy the best.

We Can Show You

An elegant line of Watches, Rings, Pins, Diamond Pendants, Studs and Watch Chains of all styles.

Silverware and Clocks.

Remember our prices are low. 10 per cent. discount on all sales.

Ed. Lee Feyler,

81 W. Second St.

Store Open Every Evening.

"As You Like It."

Prices and Goods Will Suit You.

Evaporated peaches, per lb.	12c
Evaporated apricots, per lb.	12c
New prunes, per lb.	10c
Dried apples, per lb.	5c
Dried Figs, per lb.	10c
New oat meal, 3 lb. for	10c
Hominy flake, 3 lb. for	10c
Hominy, 2 lb. for	5c
Navy Beans, per quart.	5c
Vermicelli, per lb.	10c

G. W. HAAG & CO.

Corner Gallia and Offene Sts.

BY THE ROADSIDE

Was the Dead Body of Constable Murray Found.

HE WAS MURDERED BY MINERS.

Indications Are That He Was Hanged to a Tree and Then Shot Full of Holes. One Arrest Has Been Made and Others Will Probably Follow in Due Course of Time.

Fort Smith, Ark., Dec. 8.—The dead body of James Murray, constable at Jenny Lind, a coal mining town in Sebastian county was found Monday morning lying by the roadside. It was at first supposed that Murray had been the victim of a common murder, but it has since developed that the officer was lynched by a mob of coal miners. Constable Murray left his home at Jenny Lind Sunday afternoon and went to Bonanza to arrest a miner named Grant McBroom, for whom he had a warrant. He captured McBroom without trouble and started with his prisoner for Jenny Lind about midnight. That was the last seen of Murray alive.

The constable's body was found lying about 30 yards from the shaft of the Bonanza mine. His hands were tied securely behind his body and his neck was black and blue, showing plainly the imprint of a rope which had choked the life out of the body. Blood oozed from a dozen bullet wounds in the officer's body and his clothing was torn into shreds. There was no rope near the dead man, but the imprints and lacerations of the cuticle showed unmistakably in what manner the constable had met his death.

The coroner began an investigation, and it has been fully developed that he was waylaid by a mob of McBroom's friends, composed of miners determined upon rescuing the prisoner, and that Murray was lynched, the body cut down and placed by the roadside. McBroom has been arrested.

Had No Jurisdiction.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 8.—The case of Lizzie Denomic, a young Indian half-breed from Lac La Flambeau, was before the federal court charged with assault with intent to kill two Indians. Judge Dunn dismissed her case for want of jurisdiction. Congress passed a law in 1885 to provide punishment for assaults committed by Indians on a reservation. Upon investigation it was found that there is no other statute that contains these provisions.

Gas Fight Adjusted.

Chicago, Dec. 9.—The fight which has been going on between the Ogden Gas company and the Chicago Gas company has, it is said, been adjusted. The Ogden company will not extend its mains to the West and South Sides. The Chicago company, in return, will no longer resist the extension of the Ogden mains on the North Side.

Cleveland Cattle Sale.

Cleveland, Dec. 9.—At the cattle sale at Fazio's Glenview Exchange the bidding was lively and good prices were obtained. The highest were \$525 for Pauline Pauls de Kol, sold to James A. Grayham, Paterson, N. J., and \$315 for Mildred de Kol, sold to Henry Stevens & Son, Lacono, N. Y.

About Baseball Players.

Baltimore, Dec. 9.—Manager Hanlon of the Baltimore baseball team had an offer from Manager Wagner of Washington of McGann, Demontreville and McJames for Doyle, Reitz and a left-paw pitcher, to be selected later. Hanlon offered to make a deal on Amole, Doyle and Reitz.

Derrick Fell on Him.

Rock Island, Ill., Dec. 9.—Edwin G. Nourse, assistant engineer in charge of construction of the New Crescent bridge, was instantly killed by a falling derrick.

The Flour Output.

Minneapolis, Dec. 9.—The Northwestern Miller gives the flour output at Minneapolis, Duluth, Superior and Milwaukee last week as 470,555 barrels.

Gone Back to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Barklow left today for their home in New York City. They came here to attend the funeral of Mr. Barklow's mother, Mrs. Isabelle Barklow, who died in Columbus, but whose remains were interred here. Mr. Barklow is traveling for a big wholesale furniture house in New York.

Gave Her the Mare.

Newt. Bond, an East End carpenter, was before Squire Hall today on a bastardy charge, preferred against him by Mary Fillmore. She was his housekeeper. The case was compromised. He agreed to give her a bay mare and a sewing machine.

A Fine Looking Man.

Mr. D. H. Barger, the N. & W. official who was in the city last night, is about the largest man in the country outside of a circus side show. He is considerably over six feet high and splendidly built—a perfect specimen of superb physical manhood.

Dr. Ruggles Honored.

At the meeting of the State Dental association, Dr. S. D. Ruggles was appointed a member of the committee on "clinics" for the year 1898.

To Open a Bucket Shop.

It is said that a "bucket shop" will be opened here in a short time by local parties.

BLANKEMEYER, THE TAILOR, can give you fits that you will not want cured.

FRAGMENTS.

To Mr. and Mrs. David Miller, of South Portsmouth, Wednesday afternoon, a boy.

The street commissioner is putting in a culvert at the corner of Lawson street and Robinson avenue.

Mrs. John Bocook, who has been living up in West Virginia, has moved her family to this city. She has moved into her property on Findlay street.

Miss Hannah Donahoe, a graduate of the River City Business college, has accepted a position as stenographer and bookkeeper at the Standard Shoe company's factory.

DARING

Was the Robbery of a West Second Street House Last Evening About 5 O'clock.

A daring piece of business was perpetrated last evening about five o'clock, on West Second street. Mrs. Frank Osborn, the wife of Maxwell's driver, had washed yesterday and had her clothes in the yard drying. Last evening she went out to milk and brought in the milk and placed it on the table in the kitchen. She then started out to gather in the clothes and was gone about ten or fifteen minutes. When she returned to the house she found the milk had disappeared. On examination she found things greatly disturbed about the house. The milk and her little son's savings bank were stolen. The bank contained between four and five dollars. Other things were also stolen, which will aggregate about twenty-five dollars. It was a very daring piece of business. There is no clue as to who did the work. The case was not reported to the police, Mr. Osborn thinking that he could be able to find the guilty parties.

BOWLING.

Some Very Fine Scores Made in the Games Last Night.

Everybody is going bowling crazy. A throng is always in attendance at the alleys of Portsmouth. Several teams have been organized, among which are the Centrals, Cyclones and Live Oaks. These teams play almost nightly contests and roll up some great scores.

The Centrals beat the Live Oaks last night after a very hard struggle.

1st 2nd 3rd 4th
Centrals 671 683 805 771
Live Oaks 729 618 776 648

Barr and Phillips, of the Centrals, scored 206 and 202, respectively, in the contest. Very fine scores.

Tonight the Cyclones play the Live Oaks at Wertz's.

MYSTERIOUS LETTERS

Found in His Bed by a Certain Gentleman and How They Came There.

There is a queer story floating around about recent manifestations of "spirits." It is said that the husband of a lady who recently died repeatedly found his bed full of letters. He was at a loss to account for their presence, until one day a medium told him his wife had written the letters and sent them to him by spirits. The husband was not deceived, however, and denounced the whole business as a fraud.

MARCHING CONTINGENT

Formed by Members of the Blaine Club to Be Known as the "Foraker Phalanx."

Members of the Blaine club have organized a marching contingent to be known as the "Foraker Phalanx." It will be composed of fifty persons. At a meeting Monday night F. M. Pride was elected captain; George Zwick, ensign, and Sam Williams, secretary and treasurer. Handsome new uniforms have been ordered and will be here for approval Monday night.

OBITUARY.

ROBERTS.

The three weeks-old child of James Roberts, of 1715 North Waller street, died of brain trouble this morning. The remains will be interred tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

Their New Home.

The K. of P.'s and Woodmen have rented the Damarin hall, corner of Second and Court streets, and intend to move into it at once. This is one of the largest and most beautiful halls in the city and will make a pretty home for the lodges.

Rocking chairs, all kinds, cheap, at Fuller Bros.

Sadly Disappointed.

Israel Smith and Mary Williams, a South Webster couple, applied at the probate office for a marriage license today. The would-be bride was only seventeen. They were sent home for witnesses to the parents' consent.

Washburn's Mandolins and Guitars, handled by Win Nye, agent. Pure, Fresh, Clean Drugs.

Opened a Boarding House.

Mrs. Goodroe has moved into the residence at 154 East Tenth street, recently vacated by James Ellison, and has opened a boarding house. Mrs. Ellison is now in Cincinnati and Mr. Ellison is living here.

Lehman Bros. are prepared with a fine line of holiday goods at lowest prices.

Mr. Coverston Will Travel.

Mr. C. O. Coverston expects to leave the first of next week for Columbus, where he begins work for Green, Joyce & Co., as traveling salesman.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup seems sent as a special providence to little folks. Pleasant to take, perfectly harmless, absolutely sure to give instant relief in all cases of cold or lung trouble.

A CHRISTMAS PRESENT

With every Cash Purchase of One Dollar and over.

You are invited to come and spend a half hour or so at our store to examine our attractive line of Holiday Goods. All Holiday Goods and small wares displayed on table in centre aisle and marked in plain figures.

Fine Imported Dress Goods At Half Price.

We have a number of beautiful French Dress Goods in pattern lengths, that we have cut to one-half price to sell before X-mas. There are no choicer or more elegant dress stuffs to be found in Portsmouth than these patterns, HALF PRICE.

Feather Boas

At \$1.00 \$1.35 and \$2.00 each.

Damask Table Covers

Extra nice assortment at \$1.00, and upwards.

Bargains

That can't be beat are those that you will find in our

Cloak Department.

Some choice Wraps left yet, to which we have fixed some very tempting prices.

MARTING BROS. & CO

Light Calicoes

For Children's aprons and dresses make nice Christmas Gifts which cannot help but be appreciated, in pink, blue and black figures; also stripes in blue, pink and black.

4 cents per yard.

White Goods.

Beautiful new line of White Dimities, just received.

Lot No. 1, 4 different patterns, pretty and sheer, 5c per yd.

Lot No. 2, White Dimities, 8c per yard.

Lot No. 3, White Dimities, 10c per yard.

Holiday Handkerchiefs, an endless variety from 1c a piece up.

Guessing is getting more interesting every day. Three handsome presents given away that we need not be ashamed of to the First, Second and Third nearest guessers on the Beans in our Show window

JOHN F. STEAHLY,

Opera House Block,
Fourth and Chillicothe.

SELECT A

Christmas Present.

Come and select your presents while my stock is fresh and complete. Will, with a small payment, lay aside any article you may select.

Will save you 20 per cent. on all goods purchased between now and New Year's.

C. H. HARRIS,

412 Chillicothe St.

Look.

Read.

Buy.

A X-mas Present to All Cash Purchasers.

This beats all your games of chance as you are sure of a pretty and useful present.

Don't put off buying till the last 2 or 3 days, as these articles might run short, although we have a large supply on hand. Come and be convinced.

With \$1.00 worth of goods we give a nice embroidered handkerchief or lace pin cushion cover.

With \$2.00 worth of goods we give a silver ornament or larger pin cushion cover.

With \$3.00 worth of goods we give a fine pin tray or still larger cushion cover.

With \$4.00 worth of goods we give a Ladies' fine white embroidered handkerchief.

With \$5.00 worth of goods we give an extra fine Queen Anne Lace handkerchief.

With \$8.00 worth of goods we give a ladies' gold ring.

Buy of us often in the next two weeks and you will be able to supply your friends with useful presents free of expense to you.

L. & E. Yaeger,

507 Chillicothe Street.

Special Low Prices for Cash Only.

You Have Heard

OF A

Cracker Jack,

But you never heard of

Fresh Butter Crackers

At 4c a pound

Before this. You can get them at this price, and everything else that is good to eat proportionately low at

JOS. H. LANGE'S,

Cheap Corner Grocer, Gay and Gallia

J. J. ORLETT'S,

Cor. Fourth and Court Sts.

VIEWPOINTS... —AND— INTERVIEWS

In the Whist Club.

"Is it my lead?" asked the first.
"Well, of all hands, I've the worst."
"Dear me if I only knew."
"What you had," chirps number two.
"Now I can't say on the whole."
That this play accords with the whole,
But it is the best I have.
Number three says mild and suave,
While above this small uproar,
Comes the chorus from all four,
"What's the trump?"

"Miss Brown, is that your ace?
Oh, my, have you seen the face?
Selling now at Brown and Dart's?
I bet that she's a trump's bear.
And the most exquisite shade—
Gracious, haven't you a spade?
Is it my play? What was led?
Do you know you can get ahead?
Only four cents—John Smith's best?
Just here chime in all the rest,
"What's the trump?"

"This I think the leading spade,
Oh! I thought the jack was played,
Well, that makes two points for you,
One for us did you say, Flo?
How can that be? Did you trump?
Here you beat about the bump
Lizzie's boy had on his beat?
Isn't that a lovely spread?
Did I take that trick? Dear me!
Here strike in the other three,
"What's the trump?"

"How much better we all play
Then we did. Well I should say!
Once I couldn't keep my mind
On the game, but now I find
It is as easy as can be.
Is it your deal? Let me see—
No, the cards belong to you.
I remember now that Flo
Led the king and that the nine—
Did you say the lead was mine?
"What's the trump?"

Somewhere there was published as
"Summer's Farewell": "The year is
waning. Mysterious tongues in earth
and sky, in field and forest, tell the be-
ginning of the end is here. Nature in
her subtle speech, as yet but hints the
year's demise in softest whispers. Wait a
little while and she will put aside
the velvet vowels of her tender choos-
ing, and in the north wind's aspirates
proclaim the coming of the snowy
gloom the fairy fingers of the frost
shall weave about the dying year."

The hills lie wanton to the breeze
The fields bare and unroofed
The trees expose their naked limbs
No wonder corn is shocked.

A nice young man who rooms with
one of the best families in the city
went home the other night and on the
door-step met a strange woman. She
began to stutter something about some-
body having her key and she wanted to
get in the house. The young man hesi-
tated. The woman explained she was
the "hired girl." Now the young man
thought he knew all the "hired girls"
about the place, but this stammering
creature was a stranger to him. He
was sorely perplexed. At last, how-
ever, he opened the door and the woman
rushed past him into the dark hallway
and disappeared. The young man went
out to spend the evening with some
friends in a game of whist. He related
his experience with the new hired girl.
"But she is not the hired girl at all,"
said the fellow on the left, who has
just suffered a slam. "You've been
taken in, that's all. That woman was
a professional thief. Tomorrow you
will find that Dr. Blank's house was
burglarized last night by an unknown
thief and the police will have a very
mysterious case to work on. You had
better stay right here with us tonight.
It may come handy for you to prove an
alibi."

The young man, whom his compan-
ions called "the Colonel," scratched
his head and led the fourth spot of
trumps. The second man played the
five spot, the third man dropped the
tray.

"Your game," said the "Colonel," "I
am going to quit. Guess I had better
go home and see about that new hired
girl I let in the house tonight."
Notwithstanding it was near mid-
night when the "Colonel" reached his
boarding place, he could not go to sleep
until he satisfied himself as to the
identity of the strange woman he had
let into the house. He woke the
doctor, related the circumstances of his
meeting with the stranger on the steps
and expressed a fear that the stranger
who passed herself off as the hired girl
might be some bold, bad woman who
had adopted a clever ruse to gain ad-
mittance to the house, where she might
even then be in waiting to carry out
some evil design of robbery and assassi-
nation.

The doctor, half awake, listened.
"Guess it's all right. That was the
same hired girl we have had here for
the last two years. Perhaps you didn't
recognize her voice. She had her teeth
pulled today."

The "Colonel" says an honest whist
player will not make a sneak.

A young man employed in a whole-
sale grocery on Front street went into
McElhaney's barber shop Tuesday
night and got shaved. He was a little
late for an engagement and he jumped
out of the chair and darted up street.
He hustled along until he reached the
residence of his lady friend. After
they had talked awhile the young man
noticed the girl was eyeing him rather
curiously. He twisted and squirmed
around until he got in front of a mir-
ror, and there—he saw that in his haste
to leave the barber shop he had forgot-
ten his collar and necktie. Much em-
barrassed he explained to his lady
friend how it all happened and then
everything was lovely.

It is odd how some churches, after
the repeated kindnesses shown them by
the daily papers of this city, should
ignore the papers when they have a
dollar to spend. Whenever there is a
church supper or anything of the kind

to be advertised, free, the columns of
the papers are used liberally, and there
is no instance on record of the papers
declining to give space for such pur-
poses. Yet, when there is any money
to be spent for job work or anything of
the kind, the newspapers are not con-
sidered. This is hardly fair treatment
to the papers, to say the least.

Resolutions of Respect.

Soioto, O., Dec. 4, 1897.
Again has Death visited our lodge
and stricken down one of our members.
With bowed heads and in profound
reverence we accept this decree of an
All-wise Providence, which has taken
a beloved brother from our midst.
Therefore be it

Resolved: That in the death of
Alonzo Chabot, Ives Lodge No. 473,
K. of P., recognizes the loss of a
brother who has given evidence of his
love for and attachment to the order,
and who labored to promote its inter-
ests and strengthen its friendship.

Resolved: That in his death the
community has lost a good citizen, his
wife a devoted husband and his chil-
dren a loving father. As members of
the order of Knights of Pythias, we
place upon his tomb sprigs of myrtle,
whose unfading beauty bespeaks the
immortality of the soul. May he rest
in peace.

Resolved: That these resolutions of
respect be placed upon the minutes;
that a copy be furnished the family,
and the city papers be requested to
publish the same, and that Castle Hall
be draped in mourning for thirty
days.

J. H. WYATT,
DR. T. H. MCANN,
C. W. RICE,
Committee.

QUITE AN ITEM.

Taxable Valuation of Cleveland Banks
Increased Over a Million.

Cleveland, Dec. 9.—Under an order
from the state board of equalization
the basis on which the banks of this
city are taxed has been heavily in-
creased. The taxable valuation of the
12 national banks has been increased
\$1,154,000, and that of the 26 state
banks \$272,000.

This action is taken because the
present valuation of the banks on the
tax duplicate is much lower than that
shown by the reports made by the na-
tional banks to the comptroller of the
treasury.

The banks claim that they are legally
entitled to the offsets which have been
allowed heretofore, and they will fight
the matter in the courts.

Epidemic of Measles.

Springfield, O., Dec. 9.—The epidemic
of measles in this city is admittedly
beyond control. A total of 1,138 cases
have been reported in the last six
weeks. The quarantine has been de-
cided useless, because of negligence of
parents and physicians in not report-
ing cases, and has been abolished. Of
all the cases reported, however, there
has been but one death.

Made a Rich Hunt.

Bedford, O., Dec. 9.—Marshal Lee has
a man under arrest who answers the
description of one who is wanted at
Williamsburg, Ky., for wife murder,
and for whose capture a reward of
\$5,000 has been offered. The prisoner
first gave his name as Pat Dwyer, and
later as Charles L. Hendon. The au-
thorities at Williamsburg have been
notified.

It Is Murder.

Greentown, O., Dec. 9.—John Har-
tong, the aged farmer who was tor-
tured and robbed of \$800 by three
masked men here last Thursday night,
is dead. Hartong was 87 years old.
His principal wound was a deep cut
on the head made by an iron wedge.
There is no clue to the murderers.

A Last Effort.

Cleveland, Dec. 9.—A last effort is
being made at a meeting in this city
to form a combination of sewer pipe
manufacturers. The plan now is to in-
clude the 44 sewer pipe manufacturers
east of the Mississippi in one big cor-
poration backed by eastern capital.

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The Pyramid Pile Cure is probably
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mended by physicians, because it is so
safe, so prompt in the relief afforded
and so far as known the only positive
cure for piles, except a surgical opera-
tion.

In one year the Pyramid Pile Cure
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and the most extensively sold of any
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Address the Pyramid Co., Marshall,
Mich., (formerly of Albion, Mich.,)
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also hundreds of testimonials from all
parts of the United States, full sized
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If suffering from any form of piles
ask your druggist for a package of
Pyramid Pile Cure and try it tonight.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mytic Cure" for rheumatism and
neuralgia radically cures in one to
three days. Its action upon the system
is remarkable and mysterious. It re-
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immediately disappears. The first dose
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"For three years I suffered from
salt rheum. It covered my hands to
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Bitters cured me."—Libbie Young,
Popes Mills, St. Lawrence county, N. Y.

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Rain or shine, our store is always light and cheerful. The people of Ports-
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prices quoted and are flocking to us for bargains. No misrepresentations in the
store or in print. Our prices make us our business. Quote a few good things
for the week. Come early while we have plenty of them to show you.

Men's lined mitts..... 10c
Men's extra heavy wool mitts, long wool
wristlet..... 25c
Men's extra heavy wool gloves..... 35c
Men's lined leather gloves, knit wristlet..... 25c
Boys' sizes, same kind..... 25c
Men's heavy glove or mitt, horsehide
palm, wool back gauntlet..... 50c
Black Cashmere gloves..... 20c
Men's and Boys' gloves and mitts, large
variety, from 10c to \$1.50 per pair,
every number a good value.

Ladies Gloves and Mitts.

Ladies' all wool mitts..... 10c
Ladies' worsted mitts..... 13c
Ladies' double mitts, extra quality..... 18c
Ladies' black mitts, fancy back..... 25c
Ladies' silk mitts, fancy back..... 50c
Children's mitts, single and double..... 10c
Children's worsted mitts, all prices, 10,
15, 18, 25c.
Ladies' cashmere gloves..... 15c
Ladies' cashmere gloves..... 25c
Better grades, 25, 35 and..... 40c
Black taffeta lined..... 45c
Best \$1.00 kid glove in the city, every
pair warranted.

Comforts.

Good, heavy, fancy..... 65c
Better grades, 70c, 90c, 95c, \$1.25 and \$2.00

Yard wide muslin, good quality..... 34c
Yard wide bleached..... 42c
Good Calico..... 4c
All our best calicoes..... 4 1/2c
Indigo blue, mourning and fancies.

Heavy fleeced wrapper flannels..... 7 1/2c
Outing flannels striped, light and dark
styles..... 4 1/2c
White dome, good grade..... 4c
Canton flannel, good quality..... 5c
Better grades, 5, 7 1/2, 8 1/2 and..... 10c
Storm flannels, extra weight, brown and
gray mixture..... 7 1/2c
Ready made sheets and pillow cases.

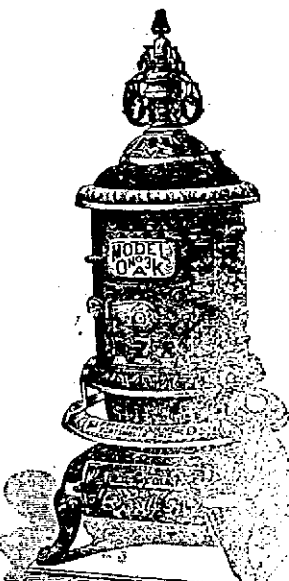
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mattings, to lay them. We make mattresses and do all kinds of fine upholster-
ing. Carpets cleaned, renovated, sewed and relaid. We are the only house in
the city that does first class work. We also make rugs of old carpets.

The Portsmouth Upholstering and Carpet Renovating Co.,
69 GALLIA STREET.

First Class Trees

And True to Name.

I have one lot of trees from the well
known firm of Storck & Harrison, Paines-
ville, Ohio, and another lot from James C.
Bingham and Sons, Russell, Ky. These peo-
ple are careful and reliable and will tell you
that I ordered nothing but first class goods.
Come and see the trees, get prices and you
will be pleased.

SAM T. KENYON,

Droege's Grove Place, first house east of base
ball ground, north side Gallia Pike.

Hear Us Wink.

We are still at the old stand with these
prices.

3 bars Toilet soap..... 5c
10 bars Key soap..... 25c
10 package Aromas washing powder..... 25c
Good Brooms..... 10c to 15c
1 package Dr. Harts tooth soap..... 5c
Best Table Syrup, per quart..... 10c
Plum and Peach butter, per can..... 10c

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support Home Industry,
and keep our money at
home. With such senti-
ments properly carried
out, our city will prosper
as it never prospered be-
fore.

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President.

O. Knorr,

Secretary.

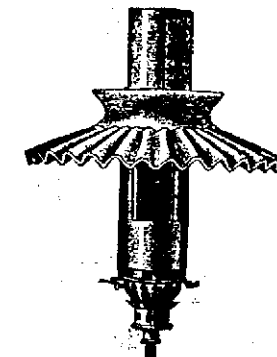


"SANTA CLAUS"

Has arrived at Amann's Gallia Street Phar-
macy with a complete line of Holiday goods.
See our special display.

Amann's Pharmacies,
208 Market St. 24 Gallia St.

Reduction Sale.



Wellsbach burners reduced from \$2 to \$1.50.
Daylight burners reduced from \$1.50 to \$1.
Sunlight burners reduced from \$2 to \$1.

For 30 Days Only.

R. Stanley Prichard.

Phone 82. 222 Chillicothe Street

Undertaker

AND

Funeral Director.

F. C. DAEHLER.

All calls attended to Day
or Night.

Morgue telephone, 132.
Residence telephone 128.

Night bell at both Mar-
ket and Second street en-
trances.

GROVES



MAKES
CHILDREN
AS FAT AS
PIGS

TASTELESS
CHILL
TONIC
IS JUST AS GOOD FOR ADULTS.
WARRANTED. PRICE 50 CTS.

GALLIA, ILLS., Nov. 15, 1907.
Gentlemen—We sold last year 600 bottles of
GROVES' TASTELESS CHILL TONIC and have
bought three gross already this year. In all our
experience of 14 years, in the drug business, have
never sold an article that gave such universal satis-
faction as your Tonic. Yours truly,
ABNEY, CARE & CO.

YELLOW STUFF.

Reported Big Gold Discovery Near
Bennett's Mill, Ky.

Isaac Clark and Others Are Getting Out
the Precious Nuggets—Dirt Worth \$100
a Ton—Mining Companies Being
Organized—Story as Told by the
Greenup Gazette.

Every few months comes a report of
the discovery of gold in Kentucky.
The Greenup Gazette comes out this
week with the following interesting bit
of news. The Gazette says:

"There is a gold excitement out in
the country near Bennett's Mill. It is
claimed by those who claim to know
that gold has been discovered in that
neighborhood, and preparations are
being made to open a mine at that
point. The operations are under the
directions of Isaac Clark, groceryman,
of Portsmouth, and his brother, Geo.
Clark. Other persons some months
ago were interested in the matter, but
Mr. Clark has bought their interest in
the mine, paying good and liberal cash
for their interests in the same. A hard
substance which, experts in gold ore
say, contains gold, is found. It is
further claimed that the hard substance
has been analyzed and that it contains
\$100.00 in gold and \$15.00 in silver
to the ton of this substance. If this is
true it will be a profitable mine. Those
who are engaged in the enterprise are
very sanguine of striking gold in pay-
ing quantities. A shaft at once will
be sunk to the depth of one hundred
and eighty feet. At this depth gold
mining experts, who have examined
into the matter, say gold will be found
in paying quantities. The enterprise is
backed by Portsmouth, O., capitalists,
who have much faith in it. B. F.
Bennett, of Greenup, is interested in
the matter. Some of the mine is lo-
cated on his land. He has made the
subject of gold mining a study and
thinks the chances for the discovery of
gold in that locality are good. Old
gold miners from the mines of Cali-
fornia have examined the grounds and
think they contain gold in paying
quantities."

NARROW ESCAPE.

The Driver of Thomas Watkins the Plum-
ber and His Wagon, Had One
This Morning.

The driver of one of those Watkins'
(the plumber's) wagons had a narrow
escape this morning about eight
o'clock. He was driving down Obilli-
cothe street between Second and Third
streets. His wagon was loaded with
long gas pipes, which protruded from
the back end of the wagon. These
reached out over the street railroad
track and a southbound car ran into
them pulling the wagon directly in
front of the car. The gas pipes were
bent nearly double. The car was
stopped before any further damage was
done.

LOVERS OF GOOD LITERATURE

The Parisian Gift to Every Caller, of a
Popular Magazine, Tomorrow.

Surely the coming holiday season
will be one long to be remembered by
the people of Portsmouth. Never be-
fore were so many valuable things
given away by our leading merchants
in the form of prizes to purchasers, and
to cap the climax the popular Parisian
Cloak and Novelty company will to-
morrow give every caller, whether they
make a purchase or not a holiday copy
of one of the most widely known and
popular magazines of the day. They
have 2,500 copies for free distribution.
The Parisian is certainly a leader in its
line.

Look Out for Him.

It has been the custom for years for
J. Eisman & Co. to entertain Santa
Claus for a few days prior to Christmas,
and we are informed that this year will
be no exception to the rule. On Decem-
ber 16th and 17th "Old Saint Nick"
will be at Eisman's, and it will amply
repay every man, woman and child
in Portsmouth an visit to pass that
way and see him.

You are invited to call at Fuller
Bros.

This Is Young America

The young and frisky assistant of
Mr. Summers, in Jno. Baron's hard-
ware store, has caught the fever of
window display and has rigged up a
number of storage batteries and an
electric motor in the window, with
which he runs revolving mouse traps
and everything else that will turn
round.

See the display of water colors in all
sizes and styles, for two weeks, at Mrs.
B. Inez Spry's, 320 Chillicothe street.

Entertained.

Mrs. Will Blair, of West Second
street, entertained a number of her
friends last night at cards. Refresh-
ments were served and a pleasant even-
ing was spent by all present.

Sterling Silver Novelties, Opera
Glasses and many Aluminum Novelties
that make suitable Christmas presents.

WIN NYE.

Pure, Fresh, Clean Dogs. 7-daw2t

A Social Hop.

Prof. B. J. Fisher will give a social
hop at Seel's hall the night of Decem-
ber 10th for regular patrons and pupils.
Fifty cents per couple. Extra ladies
25 cents.

Use "Superior" Canned Corn.

For five wrappers we will send you
free our booklet, "How to Cook Canned
Goods." SEARS & ROEBUCK.

Suitable holiday gifts at Lehman's.

"I am convinced
Cleveland's is the
purest baking pow-
der made, and I have
adopted it exclusively
in my cooking schools
and for daily house-
hold use."

SARAH T. RORER,
Editor Cookery Department,
Ladies' Home Journal.

Guarantee.

Grocers are authorized to give
back your money if you do not
find Cleveland's the best baking
powder you have ever used.
Cleveland Baking Powder Co., N.Y.

THE WEATHER PROPHET.

Ohio.—Fair tonight and Friday fair,
followed by local showers Friday and
slightly cooler.

WHAT COXEY WRIT.

One of the Letters the Colored Barber
Sent a Biggs House Girl and Which
Was Suppressed at His Trial.

The recent trial and acquittal of the
negro barber, Cox, for assault on Miss
Hereford, a Biggs House dining-room
girl, has occasioned considerable talk
and discussion. The Times has been
furnished a copy of one of the much-
talked of letters written by the barber
to Miss Hereford. Inasmuch as Miss
Hereford feels she has been misrepres-
ented in this affair, this letter is pub-
lished verbatim. It was as follows:
"Miss Sallie:—Don't be surprised
by receiving this note from me. I
have been trying to catch you by your-
self, but I could not, so I thought I
would send you a note. I will be plain
and tell you that I am in love with
you, and I want to see you and have
a talk with you. Now, if you will
meet me tonight at 8 o'clock, or half-
past, on the corner of Third and Court
streets, I will tell you something that
will be worth lots of money to you,
that is if we can keep your business to
yourself. I have got plenty of money
and I will give you anything that you
ask. For one thing I see you ought to
have, and that is a nice cape or cloak,
and if you meet me tonight and you
and I can come to any sort of agree-
ment I will give you the money tonight
to get one I see in Anderson's store.
You shall have what you want. Please
don't let anybody see this, and answer
so I will know if you are coming or
not. I will tell you my name when I
see you tonight."

The letters were not read at the trial.
Miss Hereford acted on the advice of
the marshal in answering the letter and
making an engagement. She did not
know who was the author of the letters
until she met Cox by appointment.
She strenuously denies flirting with him
or giving him any encouragement
whatever.

Mr. Gilbert says Miss Hereford has
been in his employ for fifteen months
and has always conducted herself in a
highly respectable manner. She is the
support of her aged mother, who lives
at Ashland, and her earnings have been
applied toward paying off a mortgage
on the old home. Miss Hereford re-
grets the notoriety that has been given
her case.

COURT HOUSE.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Louis Adams to Phillip Fulwiler,
1½ acre, \$115.
Lucy M. Clark to Elizabeth Freshell,
\$1,500.
Juliet Craine to Frederick Lang, 3
acres, \$250.
Oren F. Dodds to Jas. E. Gibbs,
\$1,000.
Wm. Fitch, administrator, to J. S.
Dodge, \$545.
G. G. Green to Lucy M. Clark, 21
acres, \$5,000.
Mary Glass to Josephine Glass, \$833.
Geo. Gray to O. C. Kennedy, \$855.
T. F. Lloyd and wife to Edgar F.
Draper, \$1, etc.
Isaac Mead to Mary E. Fisher, 3,500.
J. I. Marsh to Chas. Nagel, \$400.
J. I. Marsh to S. E. Gims, \$1,400.
J. P. Pardum to Chas. Nagel,
\$1,200.
J. S. Riekey to J. M. Wendelkin,
\$3,500.
J. S. Riekey to J. W. O'Harrish, 100
acres, \$52.
J. S. Riekey to Mary Glass, \$1,250.
Frances Seymour to Hattie J. Waldo,
\$1,000.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Edward T. Jones, 24, and Ottie
E. Denning, 24, Dry Run.

Advance Sale of Seats.

The advance sale of seats for the P.
O. C. minstrels will open at White's
tomorrow (Friday) evening, at 7
o'clock, standard. Numbers indicating
your turn will be given out at 6:30.
You can reserve any seat in the house
for 50 cents. No extra. Each person
will be limited to reserve six seats.

Odd parlor pieces, newest styles,
cheap, at Fuller Bros.

Mr. O. C. McCall's Illness.

Mr. O. C. McCall is lying very sick
at his residence on East Second street.
His condition is considered very seri-
ous.

The Kendall Shoe company has just
received another fine lot of ladies',
misses' and children's shoes.

Fine
Dress
Patterns.

Only 75 left of our finest imported Novelty Dress Pat-
terns. These are choice, new goods and will make a useful
and handsome present.

\$6 and \$7 patterns reduced to \$4.89.
\$7.50 and \$7.84 patterns reduced to \$5.98.
\$8.50 and \$10.00 patterns reduced to \$7.98.
\$11.00 and \$12.50 patterns reduced to \$9.98.

Hundreds of others of equally good value at 98c, \$1.20,
\$2.00, \$2.73, \$3.50.

Plaids for Waists and Skirts at 20c, 39c, 50c, 75c, \$1.

Umbrellas.

Gent's Fine Umbrellas, sterling
silver trimmed handles, at \$4.00,
\$5.00 and \$6.00.

Ladies' Umbrellas, choice assort-
ment of handles, prices 98c, \$1.39,
\$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00.

Down Pillows

At 25c, 40c, 65c, 75c, 90c.

Embroidery Silks.

Certicelli Wash and Filo, 4c a
skein, 3 for 10c, all colors.

Footing, Inserting, Edges,
Handkerchief Linen for making
Handkerchiefs.

Millinery.

Our fine trimmed hats are selling
fast under the price stimulus of
one half former price. Is it any
wonder? \$8.00 hat now for \$4.00
—\$4.00 hats for \$2.00, and so on
through. See window display.

Fancy Ribbons.

Narrow Fancy Ribbons for hair,
fancy work, etc., at 5c, 8c, 10c
and 12½c.

Large line of No. 30 and 40
fancy stripes and checks at 19c,
25c, and 35c.

G. W. Anderson & Sons.

Corner Second and Court Streets.

FREE!

With every \$10 worth of goods purchased from us between
now and January 16, we will give ONE SOLID GOLD
Set ring, now on display in our window. We do not ask
you to purchase \$10.00 worth at one time, but with every
5c worth you purchase from us you are given credit on your
card. We acknowledge we are losing considerable money
on this transaction, at the same time we are pleasing our
customers with an elegant X-mas Gift.

Holiday Dress Goods.

Black Dress Goods. Grandest Line and newest designs in the
Market. Special Prices for our Holiday Trade.

30 in. Black Serges at 12c yd.
30 in. Black Brocades at 12c yd.
34 in. Black Brocades at 15c yd.
36 in. Black Brocades at 18c yd.
44 in. Black Brocades at 25c yd.
36 in. Black Serge, All Wool, 25c yd.
40 in. All Wool black Serge and Henrietta 35c yd.
46 in. All Wool black Serges at 40c yd.
42 in. All Wool Brocades at 45c yd.
40 in. All Wool Lizard Cloth at 50c, choice line to select from.
Big line Serges and Henriettas 46 in. wide at 50c yd.
46 in. Brocades and Crepons at 50c yd.
46 in. Brocades, choice line, 65 and 70c yd.
Silk and Wool Crepons, new designs, choice line at \$1.00, \$1.15, \$1.20 \$1.25
and \$1.35 yd.
Colored Dress Goods, immense line for our Holiday Trade from 12½c upwards.
Choice line Plaids from 5c upwards.

Holiday Handkerchiefs.

Men's regular 25c Japanette Hdks. with beautiful Silk initial extra large
size at 12½c each.
Men's regular 35c Japanette Hdks. with beautiful Silk initial extra large and
fine quality at 18c.
Ladies' Japanette Hdks. Silk initial, regular 20c quality at 10c each.
Ladies' Silk initial Hdks., fine quality at 15c each.
Men's Silk initial Hdks., extra fine quality at 25c each.
Hdks. at 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12½, 15, 18, 20 and 25c each.

The Low Priced Retailers.

Steahly Bros.

313 Chillicothe St.

Between Third and Fourth.

OUR STORE

Is not the biggest in town, but our lines of different goods are the largest of this kind and
our prices are the lowest. We have a complete line of Books selected for all ages from 5c
up. Albums from 50c up. Mirrors from 10c to \$4.00. Medallions from 25c up. Toilet
Cases from 25c up. Glove and Tie Boxes. Our toy department is the largest in town.
Dolls and Doll Heads from 5c to \$3.00. Wagons, Beds, Tables, Chairs, Desks, Magic
Lanterns and thousands of other articles. Games and Blocks. Bibles from 45c to \$7.50.
Prayer Books.

Schloss & Co.,

414 Chillicothe Street.

House
Slippers.

There is nothing more comfortable to wear sitting
around the fire-side than a pair of slippers. We have a big
variety to show you both for Men and Ladies. In Ladies'
Slippers we have a big line of Strap Sandals in Kid and
Patent Leather at \$1.00 and \$1.50. Ladies' plain Kid Slip-
pers, felt lined at \$1.00 are solid comfort and durable. Our
Ladies' Felt Romeo's are the nicest and most comfortable
house slipper imaginable.

Our Men's leather slipper stock is larger than ever be-
fore and contains all the different shapes and colors ranging
in price from 35c to \$2.00. Why would not a pair of Slip-
pers make a nice Christmas present?

Anderson Bros.,

Home Factory Shoe Stores.

109 West Second Street.

603 Chillicothe Street.

Special
Hosiery Sale.

Friday All Day

We will sell ALL OUR HOSIERY at a great reduction,
consisting of Woolen, Cotton and Fleece Lined. Note the
special low prices on them—and they are for one day only,
Friday.

Christmas Number of
Modes and Fabrics

A Very Interesting Illustrated
Magazine,

FREE

To every one who enters our store TOMOR-
ROW (Friday). Come and get one. No need
to buy one cent's worth.

All our Onyx Black Cotton and Fleece Line Hose, regular price
20c special sale price only..... 15 c
All our 25c Cotton, Woolen, and Fleece Lined Hose, special sale
price only..... 19 c
All our 35 and 37½ and 40 cent Hose, in Fleece Line and extra
fine Cashmere sale price..... 29 c
Our extra fine quality Cashmere Hose, guarantee them to be the
very best 50 cent Hose in the city, in out and regular sizes
Friday's sale price..... 39 c
Children's Woolen Hose, extra heavy, no seams, size from 5½ to
7, 12½c 7½ to 8½..... 15 c
Choice of about 6 numbers of Misses' Hose, in fine Cashmere
Ribbed or Plain 25 and 30 cent grades Friday's price only.... 19 c

Bogs' and Misses' Hose.

Special Low Prices for Friday Only.

The 10 cent kind for..... 7 c
The 15 and 18 cent Bicycle Hose, Friday any size..... 12½c
Heavy Fleece Lined Seamless Hose, all sizes Friday..... 8 c
Extra heavy Fleece Lined Hose, for Boys or Girls all sizes from
5½ to 10 choice any size..... 12½c

PARISIAN CLOAK AND NOVELTY CO.

75 West Second Street.